Swampy areas in the Pattanamtitta taluk.

67. MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the total number of acres of swampy areas throughout the State;

(*b*) the total number of acres of such areas in the Pattanamtitta taluk;

(*c*) the total number of acres registered in the names of private individuals throughout the State in accordance with the proceedings on the reports of Swampy Areas Committees some years back; and

(*d*) the total number of acres so disposed of in the Pattanamtitta taluk?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No information is available about the total extent of swampy areas in the State, but the total extent of swampy areas disafforested throughout the State is 8635·33 acres.

(*b*) The extent of swampy areas disafforested in the Pattanamtitta taluk is 48·39 acres.

(*c*) 209·97 acres.

(*d*) 27·37 acres.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): In regard to part (*b*), may I know whether it is an answer to my question?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That is the information available before Government.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): Am I to base my supplementary questions on the answer given?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The other information is not available.

MR K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): May I know how many acres there are in the Pattanamtitta taluk according to the report of the Swampy Areas Committee?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have not got that. I know only the area disafforested actually.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): With regard to part (*d*), may I know in what part of the taluk are the 27·37 acres situated?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I am not aware of that. It may be in the Ranni pakuthi.

Kudivila due to the ryots of Pattanamtitta during 1097-1106.

68. MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount of money due to the people as *kudivila* from Government for the last 10 years in the Pattanamtitta taluk;

(*b*) the amount already paid under the above item for the same period; and

(*c*) the reasons for the arrears, if any?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The *kudivila* amount payable on royalties extracted from private lands can be

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known only after the logs are sold. Further, whether *kudivila* is really payable or not can be determined only on production of taluk certificates by parties and, so long as most of the owners of private lands, from which royalties were worked down, have shown indifference in this matter, it is not possible even to make a rough approximation of the amount. As for the claims for which records were produced, a sum of about S. Rs. 10,000 is due to be paid, which will be done, as far as possible, during the current year.

(*b*) The amount of *kudivila* paid for the past 10 years would amount to about S. Rs. 1,08,000 for the Pattanamtitta taluk alone.

(*c*) In the past, claims to *kudivila* on royal trees removed from private lands were seldom preferred and pressed by the claimants and arrears accumulated partly on this account and partly due to the tedious process of investigation and settlement involved, which, in the course of years, came to be too heavy to be cleared by the normal staff of the Divisional Forest Offices. Since the staff has now been strengthened and the work of settlement simplified with the introduction of a new system, prescribing a better process with special and detailed registers, speedy clearance of the arrear claims, along with the fresh claims as they arise, is expected to be possible within a few years to come.

Constables recruited in 1106 and 1107.

69. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Police Constables recruited in 1106 and in the first three quarters of 1107;

(*b*) how many of them are:

(i) Vadris;
(ii) members of the Krishnamvakai community;
(iii) Cheramars;
(iv) Sambavars;
(v) Fishermen;
(vi) Vellalas;
(vii) Chetties;
(viii) Oil-mongers;
(ix) Ezhavas;
(x) Mahomedans;
(xi) London Mission Christians;
(xii) Syrian Catholics;
(xiii) Hindu Nadars;
(xiv) Brahmins;
(xv) Saliyas;
(xvi) Kammalas;
(xvii) Tandans;
(xviii) Kuravas; and
(xix) members of the Yogisvara community; and

(*c*) the number of Nayars?

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